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Title: FOLDAWAY ELECTRONIC DEVICE AND FLEXIBLE CABLE FOR  
SAME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, after the title, please insert on the following line as follows:

--This is a division of U.S. Application 09/614,843, filed July 12, 2000, allowed  
September 11, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-9.

Please add the following claims:

12.(NEW) A flexible cable comprising:  
  
a first conductor pattern;

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two band-shaped second conductor patterns disposed parallel to and respectively above and below said first conductor pattern, said two band-shaped second conductor patterns being wider than said first conductor pattern; and

an insulator interposed between said first conductor pattern and said two band-shaped second conductor patterns,

said two band-shaped conductor patterns having through-holes through which said two band-shaped conductor patterns are electrically connected.

13.(NEW) A flexible cable comprising:

a first conductor pattern;

a band-shaped second conductor pattern covering a top portion of said first conductor pattern;

a band-shaped third conductor pattern covering a lower portion of said first conductor pattern; and

an insulator interposed between said first conductor pattern and said band-shaped second and third conductor patterns,

said band-shaped second and third conductor patterns having through-holes through which said band-shaped second and third conductor patterns are electrically connected,

said through-holes being arranged at intervals so as to prevent an electromagnetic wave leak from sides of said first conductor pattern.

14.(NEW) A flexible cable comprising:

a coaxial structure part including a first conductor pattern, two band-shaped second conductor patterns disposed parallel to and respectively above and below said first conductor pattern, said two band-shaped second conductor patterns being wider than said first conductor pattern, and an insulator interposed between said first conductor pattern and said two band-shaped second conductor patterns, said two band-shaped conductor patterns having through-holes through which said two band-shaped conductor patterns are electrically connected; and

a signal wiring part, disposed on one side of said coaxial structure part, having a plurality of signal wiring patterns,

said signal wiring part being thinner than said coaxial structure part.

#### R E M A R K S

This application is a divisional of 09/614,843, filed July 12, 2000, allowed September 11, 2001. All of the claims which were allowed in the parent case have been canceled herein leaving in prosecution claims 10-11 and new claims 12-14. No new matter has been added.

Prior to issuance of a first Office Action in the present Divisional application, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner review the arguments presented in the parent case in opposition to rejection of the present claims.

Early examination of the claims on their merits is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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